



### **Great Falls Discovery Center**

Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation

## **MAY 2022 PROGRAMS**

All Programs are free and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. Wheelchair accessible. Please follow all current COVID guidelines. Visit <a href="Mass.gov/COVID">Mass.gov/COVID</a> for more guidance. For more information call (413) 863-3221.

#### **VISITOR**

#### **OPEN 5 days a week:**

#### **CENTER**

- Wednesdays—Sundays, 10:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.
- Open Memorial Day, Monday, May 30

Located at 2 Avenue A in Turners Falls. Come explore the natural, cultural and industrial history of the Connecticut River Watershed in our dynamic exhibit hall. Adjacent to the Canalside Rail Trail, the center includes the Great Hall exhibit gallery, restrooms, and drinking water. Wheelchair accessible.

#### Ongoing

#### **STORY WALK® Series\***

Enjoy a story, fresh air and exercise! Join us on the grounds of the center for a FREE series of self-guided StoryWalks® featuring children's picture books. Follow the path to book pages posted along the route. Wonderful stories await!

#### April 29 through May 18

We Planted a Tree by Diane Muldrow, for ages 3-7 and everyone who celebrates trees.

#### May 20 through June 29

*Jam & Honey* by Melita Morales, for ages 3-7, and everyone who appreciates pollinators.

### Ongoing

May 4 —

June 1

### GREAT HALL ART EXHIBIT: CAST OF SWANS

An exhibition of works on paper by painter and printmaker, Karen Axtell.

#### Friday, May 13

#### KIDLEIDOSCOPE STORY HOUR: FISH

10:30-11:30 a.m., Great Hall

For ages 3-6, accompanied by an adult. Come learn about our wildlife neighbors who share our home in the Connecticut River Watershed. Program includes stories, activities, and crafts. May be both indoors and outdoors. Siblings and friends welcome.

#### Saturday, May 14

#### ART NATURALLY SERIES

#### 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Great Hall

Discover nature through story and art at this first in a series of FREE spring, summer and fall Art Naturally programs. Using words and images, this program features instruction and techniques to help you create an art piece inspired by the natural world to take home with you. For adults, teens, and children ages

### Ongoing May 14 —

June 12

#### THE TURNERS FALLS FISHWAY IS OPEN!

Mark your calendars! Don't miss the annual spring migration of fish at the Turners Falls Fishway at 15 First Street. The Fishway is open May 14 — June 12, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays. Then, visit us at the Great Falls Discovery Center.

#### MORE PROGRAMS CONTINUED ON OTHER SIDE

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Saturday, May 21

### DAY OF REMEMBRANCE AND VIDEO PREMIERE

10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Premier of *Indigenous Voices* 1:00—3:30 p.m. Day of Remembrance Commemoration

Join the Nolumbeka project to celebrate of the release of the video series "Indigenous Voices: Stories from the Connecticut River Valley of Massachusetts—A Series of Short Videos about Native Life Past and Present," from 10 a.m.—12:00 p.m. in the Great Hall. From 1:00—3:30 p.m., a commemoration of the 346th Anniversary of the Great Falls Massacre, outdoors weather permitting, or in the Great Hall. Members of the Tribal and non-Tribal public are welcome. Free and open to all. Speakers include filmmaker Robbie Leppzer, video producer Jennifer Lee, Doug Harris, one of the organizers of the Reconciliation Ceremony in 2004, and Robert Peters, Mashpee Wampanoag artist whose paintings will be on display. <a href="https://www.nolumbekaproject.org">http://www.nolumbekaproject.org</a>. Co-sponsored by the Nolumbeka Project and Mass Humanities.

Sunday, May 22

### MUSICA FRANKLIN COMMUNITY CONCERT

3:00-4:00 p.m. Great Hall

Musica Franklin presents a community concert, including guest artists.

Saturday, May 28

# GREAT HALL ART RECEPTION: CAST OF SWANS 1:00—3:00 p.m. Great Hall

Come see an exhibition of works on paper by Painter and Printmaker, Karen Axtell including a reading from her book: *Cast of Swans & a few others*.

Saturday, June 4

#### 15TH ANNUAL FREE FAMILY FISHING DAY

**Save the Date!** Our annual Family Fishing Day is Saturday, June 4th from 10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. at Barton Cove. Join us for a day of FREE fishing fun. Adults and children of all ages are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Event is held rain or shine. Parking is free at each site.

#### At Barton Cove Campground: Barton Cove Road in Gill

- Fishing equipment provided limited supplies available. Bring your own pole if you have it.
- No fishing license needed.

#### At Great Falls Discovery Center: 2 Avenue A

• Fly lure tying demonstrations and more!

Sponsored by: MassWildlife, Western Mass Fly Fishermen, First Light, Turners Falls Fishway, Friends of the Discovery

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